

THEATRICAL OFFERINGS

'BATTLE CRY OF PEACE' DRAWS OUT FAVORABLE COMMENT IN HONOLULU

Not in many months, if at all, has there been shown a motion picture in Honolulu that can compare with "The Battle Cry of Peace," either from a point of entertainment or from the comment it has called forth. Since Thursday evening the Bijou theater and this masterpiece film have been popular topics of conversation. The "peace at any price" advocates will find great satisfaction in the film, although the study that Hudson Maxim has given to war, its causes, effects and remedies may lead some of them to a change of front.

None should miss this photodrama, which is excellently filmed and excellently acted; this in addition to the fact that it carries a punch but seldom found in the drama, whether on the stage or screen. As a matter of fact it would be an impossibility to present anything like a reasonable conception of this film on any stage. There are thousands upon thousands of participants in almost continual procession and there is hardly a producer who would have the nerve to attempt to present this spectacle in the flesh.

There has been no mincing of matters by Commodore Blackton in the writing of or producing "The Battle Cry of Peace." He had an object in view—the enlargement of the army and navy of the United States to such an extent as to make war impossible. He draws some horrible pictures of the carnage of war and then explains that they are not overdrawn but are actual occurrences on the battle fields of Europe today. He presents the United States bleeding and torn by the iron heel of a foreign foe. No particular nation is chosen as the invading force, but it might well be one of several of the larger world powers. There is a sermon in this picture the like of which has never been preached to the American people before and the very hopelessness of the country at the present time is plainly shown. It may be possible that this film has had not a little effect on the War Department and Congress in their recent consideration of a bigger and better army and navy.

The Bijou will continue to present "The Battle Cry of Peace" for a limited engagement.

'CIVILIZATION' WILL CLOSE ITS ENGAGEMENT HERE THIS EVENING

Inc's tremendous picture spectacle has drawn remarkably well in spite of the strong counter attractions during Carnival week. Those who have seen it state that it is certainly an enjoyable and at the same time a cheap entertainment, considering that the film is of highest class possible, and enhanced artistically with special music well rendered.

There has been some discussion as to "Civilization's" educational or moral lessons, and it is interesting to read Mr. Inc's version in referring to his aims and ideas in making this marvelous picture. He says: "I have aimed primarily to strike an absolutely new note in the art of moving pictures. 'Civilization' is not a preparedness drama, nor is it a peace propaganda. I have not depended on the ordinary American flag finish with its suspense and thrills for the climax. I have followed no set lines in any of its valuable details. 'Civilization' is meant to be an illustrated editorial, put on the boards two or three years ahead of its time. By that I mean that in two or three years there will be other pictures of the same kind."

but at present 'Civilization' is really the first.

"I believe that the love of humanity is the biggest love story in the world. Therefore I believe that 'Civilization' will appeal fundamentally to women. Far deeper than the bloody battle fields and spectacular fighting is the element of real sacrifice which only the women of the war may bear. I know that if every scenic effect that I have striven for in this picture could be eliminated, the great central theme would still make it a master picture. 'Civilization' then is a satire on our present times. 'Civilization' holds the mirror up before the world, and shows how impossible war really is. It shows the internal workings of the war, the time of bondage afterward. I believe that if the picture could be shown to the crowned heads of Europe, its influence would go far in terminating the war."

There is no doubt that Mr. Inc has fully accomplished his aims, and even if a person who sees "Civilization" can find no lesson in it, it still has sufficient merit in art—in its beauty, grandeur and force—to more than repay him.

'NIGHT IN JAPAN' DRAWS BIG CROWD

Japanese residents of Honolulu generally and Mochizuki Club members particularly surprised themselves last night when they drew a crowd to their "Night in Japan" entertainment at the spacious grounds on Waikiki beach which took them by storm and filled the broad open-air theater to overflowing before the first show was well under way.

Scores whose evening dress indicated that they were bound for the directors' ball at the armory came to the Japanese clubhouse first for a short glimpse of a characteristic Nipponese setting and many lingered in the weird spell of the entertainments until they were long overdue down town.

The Friday night feature of the Carnival was staged to give visitors in Hawaii a little idea of the Far East, or near West, without leaving the islands, but it was successful in more than this endeavor. It afforded tourists and townpeople alike a novel entertainment which cannot be seen every day, even in Hawaii.

From 7:30 to 10 a continuous Japanese show, featuring geisha girls and their accompanists, all in several changes of gorgeous costumes, was in progress. A delightful feature of the strange music was a solo on a bamboo flute, the only musical instrument which originated in Japan, all the others coming from China. Four young Japanese women rendered a quartet selection on their Japanese harps or kotos, which was especially charming.

After the entertainment a real "happo" dance in the main building with two Hawaiian orchestras vying with each other from opposite ends of the dancing hall and with plenty of refreshments continued until 11 o'clock, making a happy finale to an enjoyable evening with hospital hosts.

Artificial cherry trees, including the one George Washington never chopped down in the parade Thursday night, and Japanese and American flags made up most of the decorations with plenty of electric lights of various colors twinkling from the surrounding hedges and overhanging branches. With guns both fore and aft trained straight on both entrances to the Mochizuki grounds the battleship Hawaii which cruised so well in the lantern parade saluted each guest and boomed an imaginary out happy "good night."

Governor Whitman has been asked by Governor McCall of Massachusetts, to grant requisition for the return to that state of James Morin, arrested at Albany and wanted in Boston on nine counts for "grand larceny" and forgery.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING BILL SENT TO CONGRESS BY BAKER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—The measure providing for the establishment of universal training of all American citizens liable for military service between the ages of 13 and 28, as prepared by the general staff of the army, was sent to Congress by Secretary of War Baker yesterday afternoon, without any recommendations. In speaking of the despatch of the bill Mr. Baker said that he does not expect that it will be passed at this session of Congress, although it may be.

The measure, which in many respects is similar to that now in the senate, has been favorably reported by the senate committee on military affairs. This measure was introduced by Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the committee.

The general staff measure provides for an army of four million men after nine years, with a training period of one year instead of six months as prescribed by the Chamberlain bill.

EMERGENCY SHIPPING BILL IS FAVORABLY REPORTED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—The bill giving the government of the United States the power to commandeer all American merchant ships, as asked by Secretary of the Navy Daniels, has been favorably reported out by the senate committee on commerce.

This bill has been acted upon by the house, and gives the government the power to commandeer ships, wharves and munition plants, as well as appropriating \$1,000,000 for the purchase of basic patents of aircraft.

There is little hope that the measure will be passed at the present session. Indeed all of the plans of the administration leaders in both houses appear to have gone glimmering, for the Republicans in the upper house yesterday started a filibuster that bids fair to last through the rest of this session, and turn upside down all the plans for legislation during the remaining working days of the session.

This filibuster is taken here to mean that the senate intends to oppose the proposal which the capital expects the President to make today, that Congress give to him great power in dealing with the international crisis between this country and Germany.

Plans which the President has been ripening for some time were submitted to the cabinet at the regular meeting held yesterday afternoon, but nothing was allowed to leak out regarding them.

Col. Edmundo E. Martinez was appointed Mexican consul in Chicago by Gen. Carranza.

ASK PARISIAN BOYS TURN TRUCK GARDENERS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) PARIS, France, Feb. 24.—Paris authorities, in their efforts to make every ounce tell in the war, have hit upon a plan for making use of the nation's school boys, and yesterday issued a call to all boys of the city to utilize all vacant lots of the city for the growing of vegetables. It is estimated that by this means large sections of the city will be turned into truck gardens and assist materially in lowering the cost of living, as well as easing the strain on the transportation facilities of the nation.

CANADA POURS GOLD INTO UNITED STATES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 24.—Nine million dollars in gold coin was received by J. P. Morgan & Company, the great banking firm, from Canada, yesterday. This brings the total of gold shipped into this country for Morgan & Company from Canada since the first of this year to \$125,000,000. Most of it has been used to pay for munitions and supplies purchased in the United States, either for use in Canada or for shipment to the Allies.

A verdict of \$10,666 against the New York Central Railroad was awarded to Mrs. Anna Antonio De Maria, in the supreme court at White Plains, for the death of her husband. De Maria was killed by a train while crossing a switch.

CANADIAN WOMEN BARRED FROM EUROPE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, Feb. 24.—Twenty-five Canadian women and children, who arrived here yesterday on board a steamer from the United States bound for Europe, have been removed from the ship, and will be held here under the new regulation, which forbids the sailing of women and children from any British port to any port in England for the present. Three Americans who were in the passenger list of the steamer were allowed to proceed, the authorities having no authority to stop them. The name of the steamer has been deleted by the censor.

BRITISH AGAIN DEFEAT TURKS ON TIGRIS RIVER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 24.—The British have again attacked the Turks on the Tigris and have again driven their foes back for substantial gains, according to the despatches reaching this city last night. On the other fronts the fighting has been productive only of unimportant results.

GERMAN DIVER REPORTED GROUNDED IN NORTH SEA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) LONDON, England, Feb. 24.—According to despatches from the Reuters' correspondent at The Hague, a German submarine has stranded on Watcheren, a Dutch island in the North Sea.



Cherry Tree Honesty in the Selling of Shoes

The following is an extract from a recent page advertisement, issued by the Regal Shoe Company, and because its spirit of honesty is particularly fitting to a commemoration of Washington, such as the Mid-Pacific Carnival, we publish it at this time.

—REGAL SHOE STORE.

THE old style shoe dealer is secretive. He doesn't want his customers to know too much about his business—where he gets his shoes, what he pays for them, or how much he adds to that price.

He believes in private labels. Why?

Ask him for a standard shoe of known value, and he doesn't keep it. Why?

He has his shoes stamped with his own name. There are manufacturers who do that—make anonymous shoes and stamp any dealer's name on them.

Some dealers like to say, "These shoes bear our own name; they are specially created for us"—making a mystery of a simple matter. Why?

Then there is the dealer who features a branded shoe, giving it the air of a national standard make—when it isn't national and it isn't standard. He features a name but he wants it weak. Why?

When you walk past a shoe store and see shoes in the window, ticketed "latest styles," what authority is back of that style? That shoe dealer's authority? He may be narrow and local, or badly advised in his style information. But there is in your city a shoe dealer who will

supply authentic styles, verified styles, as good as can be obtained in America.

He carries Regal Shoes, the same that are carried in the great Metropolitan Centers; and by about a thousand special Regal representatives in other towns and cities.

Consider the great city stores alone and think what a test, what a guarantee, they are of Regal styles and values. Every Regal Shoe must compete every day with every fine shoe in America. If Regals were not right they could not survive, and they are chosen by an ever-increasing number of people.

In your city the special Regal representative is the Regal kind of shoe merchant.

The man you want to know is the shoe man who believes in small profits and a busy store; a man who really wants to give you the Regal kind of values—shoes of known merit, verified styles; a man who believes in building up a business as an institution, based on cherry-tree honesty in buying and advertising his shoes, and good service—not in trying to stick a big profit on one pair of shoes.

The whole town should get back of that shoe store.

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SHOES

Exports of cotton for the week ended January 27 were 128,671 bales, against 143,029 bales in the corresponding week last year. The rivers and harbors bill, carrying an appropriation of \$39,000,000, was passed by the house by a vote of 221 to 132. Dr. Melvin A. Brannon, president of the University of Idaho at Moscow, wired his resignation to the state board of education.

This is the home of real Hawaiian Curios

Nowhere in Honolulu will you find so many authentic relics and art specimens of old Hawaii as here. Leis, Koa bowls and carvings, native implements, ancient fishing tackle—and a thousand and one things that have value not only for their associations but because they are really unique and beyond duplication. We also carry a full line of Chinese Art Goods, Mandarin Coats, Beads, Etc., Etc.



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